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AMARAVATI, MONDAY, JULY 4, 2022

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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Services - Revenue Department - Sri Srikanth Kedarnadh, the then Tahsildar, Ongole presently working as Tahsildar Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District - Initiation of disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 - Articles of charge - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.507

Dated:04-07-2022 Read:-

G.O.Ms.NO.507, Revenue(Vig.I) Dept., dt:04.07.2022

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ORDER:

In pursuance to the orders issued in the G.O. read above, it is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri Srikanth Kedarnadh, the then Tahsildar, Ongole presently working as Tahsildar Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

- The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charge (Annexure- I). A statement of imputations of misconduct/ misbehavior in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charge proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexures-III & IV).
- Sri Srikanth Kedarnadh, the then Tahsildar, Ongole presently working as Tahsildar Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District is directed to submit, within 10 days from the date of receipt of this order, a written statement of his defence.
- Sri Srikanth Kedarnadh, the then Tahsildar, Ongole presently working as Tahsildar Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.
- Sri Srikanth Kedarnadh, the then Tahsildar, Ongole presently working as Tahsildar Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para3 above, further action will be processed based on the material available.
- Attention of Sri Srikanth Kedarnadh, the then Tahsildar, Ongole presently 6. working as Tahsildar Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri Srikanth Kedarnadh, the then Tahsildar, Ongole presently working as Tahsildar Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the Order be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G. SAI PRASAD SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri Srikanth Kedarnadh, the then Tahsildar, Ongole presently working as Tahsildar Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District (through the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada.)

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada (with a request to serve the order on the individual and furnish served copy of this G.O. within a week)

Copy to:

The District Collector, Prakasam District.

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ANNEXURE — I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI S.SRIKANTH KEDADARANADH, FORMER TAHSILDAR, ONGOLE, PRESENTLY WORKING AS TAHSILDAR, GUNTUR EAST MANDAL OF GUNTUR DISTRICT.

Article of Charge 1:

Sri S.Srikanth Kedadaranadh, former Tahsildar, Ongole, presently working as Tahsildar, Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District, during his tenure as Tahsildar, Ongole, without scrutinizing the Sub division sketches and enjoyment sketches of land measuring an extent of Ac.0.68 Cents in Sy.No294/1A2 of Throvagunta Village prepared by the then Mandal Surveyor and without conducting physical verification of land holder/ Owner as per the revenue records in connection with building, maintenance, Management and operation of N.H-216 in Throvagunta Village which has lead to show the name of Sri Katta Balakrishna against the column enjoyer/Owner of the said land instead of Ac.0.06 Cents, caused for notifying the same in the declaration published U/s 3D of the Act and thereby caused excess payment of Rs. Rs.87,06,974/towards land compensation causing loss to the Government exchequer.

Article of Charge 2:

Sri S.Srikanth Kedadaranadh, former Tahsildar, Ongole, presently working as Tahsildar, Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District, during his tenure as Tahsildar, Ongole, without conducting field verification and relied on the subdivision record and enjoyment sketches furnished by the Mandal Surveyor has shown the name of Sri Katta Balakrishna against the column enjoyer/Owner of the land measuring an extent of Ac.0.68 Cents in Sy.No294/1A2 of Throvagunta Village, notified the same in the declaration published U/s 3D of the Act instead of Ac.0.06 Cents and thereby mislead the CALA/ Joint Collector-II, who conducted award enquiry and passed award for payment of Rs.95,49,584/- towards land compensation for the Ac.0.68 Cents land in favour of Sri Katta Balakrishna, S/o Koteshwara Rao against his original land holding of Ac.0.06 Cents and thereby caused loss to the Government of India.

Thus Sri S.Srikanth Kedadaranadh, former Tahsildar, Ongole presently working as Tahsildar, Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District with his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Government servant and thereby contravened Rule 3 (1) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE — II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI S.SRIKANTH KEDADARANADH, FORMER TAHSILDAR, ONGOLE, PRESENTLY WORKING AS TAHSILDAR, GUNTUR EAST MANDAL OF GUNTUR DISTRICT

Sri S. Srikanth Kedadaranadh, former Tahsildar, Ongole, presently working as Tahsildar, Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District, during his tenure as Tahsildar, Ongole, the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Government of India have proposed to acquire land acquisition in Throvagunata and some other villages of Prakasam district for building , maintenance, Management and operation of N.H-216 (Chirala to Ongole section) and accordingly published notification under section 3A of NH Act, 1956. The then Mandal Surveyor Sri U. Bhaskara Rao has surveyed the lands covered under acquisition and prepared subdivision record and enjoyment sketches. As per the enjoyment sketches furnished by the then Tahsildar, Ongole i.e Sri Srikanth Kedaranadh, the name of Sri Katta Balakrishna was shown against the column enjoyer/Owner of the land measuring an extent of Ac.0.68 Cents in Sy.No294/1A2 of Throvagunta Village and the same was notifed in the declaration published U/s 3D of the Act. Subsequently the CALA has conducted award enquiry and passed award for payment of Rs.95,49,584/- towards land compensation for an extent of Ac.0.68 Cents land in favour of Sri Katta Balakrishna, S/o Koteshwara Rao. Subsequently, on the objection fled by Sri Mandava Subbarao, S/o Kotilingam the Tahsildar has again conducted survey and reported that Sri Katta Balakrishna has lost only Ac.0.06 Cents and Sri Mandava Subba Rao has lost Ac.0.62 Cents under acquisition in Sy.No.294/1A2 of Throvagunta village. Because of the wrong enjoyment particulars furnished earlier, an excess amount of Rs.87,06,974/- was paid to Sri Katta Balakrishna.

The Addl. Joint Collector & CALA, NH-216 has directed the Revenue Divisional Officer, Ongole to identify the Persons responsible for the lapses causing for excess payment of Rs.87,06,974/- to Sri Katta Balakrishna. The Revenue Divisional Officer, Ongole has enquired in to the matter and furnished a report duly, verifying processing of L.A. files and passing of Award by the officials and recommended to initiate disciplinary Sri S. Srikanth Kedadaranadh, former Tahsildar, Ongole, presently working as Tahsildar, Guntur East Mandal of Guntur District for the irregularities committed in submitting reports, processing of land acquisition fles, passing of awards and thereby causing payment of excess compensation amount of Rs.87,06,974/- by the officials causing loss to Government exchequer.

Hence, the charge.

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ANNEXURE — III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI SRIKANTH KEDADARANADH, FORMER TAHSILDAR, ONGOLE, PRESENTLY WORKING AS TAHSILDAR, GUNTUR EAST MANDAL OF GUNTUR DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

- Draft notification under Section 3A of NH Act, 1956 in the Gazette of India No.1558, dated 24.07.2015 vide S.O.2035(E), dated 24.07.2015.
- Additional Joint Collector & CALA, NH-216, Prakasam District, Ongole Publi Notice in Rc.G1/3968/2014, dated 07.06.2016.
- 3) Additional Joint Collector & CALA, NH-216, Prakasam District, Ongole Award Progs.No.10/2016/NH-216 in G1/3968/2014, dated 21.10.2016.
- 4) R.D.O., Ongole Rc.G.1046/2017, dated 03.08.2017.

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ANNEXURE — IV

LIST OF WITNESS BY WHOM THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI SRIKANTH KEDADARANADH, FORMER TAHSILDAR, ONGOLE, PRESENTLY WORKING AS TAHSILDAR, GUNTUR EAST MANDAL OF GUNTUR DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

-Nil-

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